



The Folklife Festival of the Smithsonian Institution on the National Mall was a big attraction for Southwest residents this summer. Perry Klein took this photo of the Silk Road Project of musicians from throughout Asia playing their native instruments. In the center is the famous cellist Yo Yo Ma.

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S.W. Waterfront Plans Altered

By Carole Early

The National Capital Revitalization Corporation has listened to voices from the Southwest community and has made changes to the Vision Plan for the Southwest Waterfront. I, for one, want to applaud the NCRC for being receptive to local concerns.

Instead of the proposed apartment building in front of Tiber Island, the southern end has been designated "the quiet or passive end." The far northern end toward the Washington Monument is the "public end," which will be named Market Square. It will be an urban open space, surrounded by restaurants and perhaps a museum.

Some people living in apartments or townhouses on Seventh St. S.W. may have reservations about being the new recipi-

ents of these 9-story mixed-use buildings.

But, the NCRC envisions a true Urban Waterfront, with buildings of mixed-uses and of different heights. The "urban fabric" of the Southwest neighborhood will be extended to the waterfront sites, with the creation of an expanded street block system.

They intend that the proposed promenade will be pedestrian friendly, with restaurants and stores with condos on top.

Instead of Maine Ave. being similar to a freeway, as at present, the S.W. Development Plan and AWI envision it as an urban boulevard. Other roads surrounding the waterfront will be reconfigured and Water Street will be eliminated.

NCRC's July 22 report to Southwest was very informative. The 250 people who attended at St. Augustine's Church on that hot, sweltering night were given a



This picture of the plaza area next to Waterfront Metro Station is on the website of the developers — www.waterfrontdc.com. M St. is at the bottom of the picture. Fourth St. is the diagonal street leading from I (Eye) St. S.W. Fourth St. will be a two way street, although this drawing isn't clear on that.

New Details On Waterside Mall On Web Site

The web site for the redevelopment of Waterside Mall—www.waterfrontdc.com—now has more detail and several drawings.

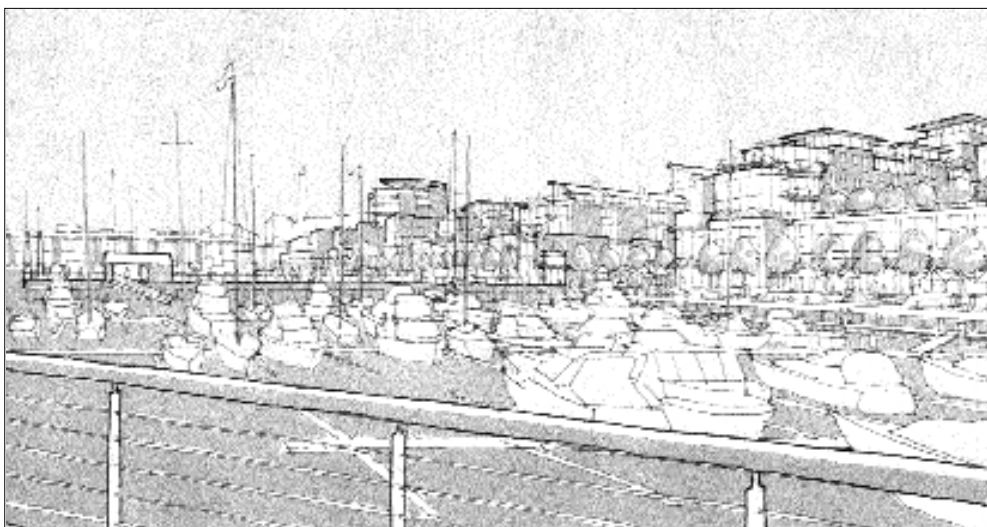
Separate web pages show floor plans and detail for the eight buildings of the first phases of development. A site plan for the "full build-out" or final development in 20 years or so shows the additional two buildings that will come out to the M St. sidewalk and two—including an apartment house—on the north side. ■

thorough slide show and update. Questions and comments were received and responded to. ■

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The new Southwest waterfront will have a pier at M St. and housing and retail shops and restaurants in place of Water St. At left is a view from M St. looking at the Potomac River side of those buildings.



S.W. ANC Seeks Exec. Director

ANC 2D, which serves the near Southwest Community, is currently accepting applications for the position of executive director. The primary duties of the executive director are managing the commission's office and carrying out administrative tasks.

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The job is a part-time position of about 10 hours per week. The hourly salary is to be determined and will likely be commensurate with experience.

Interested applicants should mail their resumes and a cover letter to the ANC 2D Office, 401 M St. S.W., Washington, D.C., 20024, or turn in their packet to any ANC Commissioner. Applicants may also submit a resume at the next ANC meeting on Sept. 9, 2002, at Westminster Church, 400 I St. S.W. at 7 pm.

Fourth St. Traffic Study Starting

At a July 1 meeting in Southwest the D.C. Dept. of Transportation explained how it will conduct a study on the effect of reopening 4th St. S.W. at Waterside Mall.

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Southwest Community Calendar Aug.- Sept. 2002

MONTHLY MEETINGS

WED. AUG. 21, Sixth Ward Candidate Forum – Westminster Presbyterian Church, 400 I (Eye) St. S.W. – 11 am – Box lunch served

WED. AUG. 28, S.W. Washington Waterfront Citizens Assoc. monthly meeting – Harbor Patrol, 500 Water St. S.W. – 7:30 p.m.

TUES. SEP. 3, Police Citizens Advisory Council – 415 4th St. S.W. – 7 pm

MON. SEP. 9, Advisory Neighborhood Commission monthly meeting, Westminster Presbyterian Church 400 I (Eye) St. S.W. – 7 pm

TUES. SEP. 9, D.C. Primary Election at the polls – 7 am to 8 pm

WED. SEP. 11, S.W. Chamber Players, St. Augustine's Episcopal Church – 6th and Maine Ave. S.W. – 7:30 pm

WED. SEP. 18, AARP monthly luncheon meeting – St. Matthews Lutheran Church, 222 M St. S.W. – 12 noon.

MON. SEP. 23, Southwest Neighborhood Assem-

bly, Inc., monthly meeting – St. Matthews Lutheran Church – 222 M St. S.W. – 7:30 P.M.

THURS. SEP. 26, National Association of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) monthly luncheon meeting – Southwest Branch Library, 900 Wesley Place, S.W. – 12:30 pm.

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S.W. Waterfront Plan, What Do *You* Think?

By Carole Early

After the July 22 community meeting I talked with various community members. Eric Slaughter (one of the live-aboards on the boats) said that not much was said about the marina, which he felt was good. He said that NCRC has said that no more live-aboards can come to the waterfront and if one moves, he/she cannot be replaced. He wondered about access during construction, and what were the mechanisms for accountability?

Susan Carpenter, president of the Ganplank Slipholders Association and Commodore of the new Port of Washington Yacht Club, remarked "During the planning sessions some of us dreamed of intimate shops, small cafes, innovative housing and varied cultural facilities along the waterfront."

"We wanted a place to reflect the soul of the Southwest and a place for all Washingtonians to enjoy the waterfront," she said. "But the need to maximize the economic value of the land with such things as 12-story towers makes having a vibrant neighborhood/tourist gathering



The Southwest Waterfront plan was described by a panel at the National Building Museum. Left to right are: _____, President of the museum, Uwe Brandeis and Andrew Altman of the D.C. Office of Planning, and Lloyd Smith acting president of the National Capital Revitalization Corporation.

place more difficult." Ms. Carpenter is wary of too much "sameness."

Virginia Apodaca, a resident of Tiber Island and a member of the Coalition for the Southwest Waterfront, was relieved and pleased that the NCRC had

addressed the major concerns of the Coalition by eliminating an earlier proposal to connect N and 6th St. S.W., and by substituting a park for the 12 story building earlier proposed to be built between Tiber Island and the river.

Ms. Apodaca thinks that the overall Anacostia Waterfront Initiative plan as presented at the July 22 meeting will benefit Southwest and that the more immediate development plans will bring needed vitality to our waterfront. However, issues of traffic, building density and building height still have to be resolved.

The Coalition for the Southwest Waterfront will continue to meet to discuss these matters and bring its concerns to the attention of the NCRC, she said.

I spoke with David Howard at the Office of Planning. He was very helpful. I had wondered how strictly would a developer be required to follow the AWI Plan. He replied that "additional Urban Design guidelines will be developed in the rezoning process, which will have to be adopted by the Zoning Commission. Once adopted, these guidelines would prescribe how the site could be developed."

Mr. Howard is willing to answer questions at the AWI (Anacostia Watershed Initiative) at the Office of Planning - 202-442-8812. ■

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The city has closed the Precinct 129 voting booths at Jefferson Jr. High for the Sep. 10 election and told voters to vote at Friendship Baptist Church, K St. and Delaware Ave. S.W.

Entrance to voting booths for precinct 128, which votes at Friendship Baptist has been a rear door off a driveway and small parking lot at K St. and Delaware Ave. S.W., as shown in this picture from the primary election on May 2, 2000.

In May 2000, voting booths for Precinct 128 were moved from Bowen Elementary School to Friendship Baptist.



The voters' entrance at Friendship Baptist Church in 2000 was to the right at the end of the driveway off Delaware Ave., S.W. On the tree a sign with an arrow to the right is posted saying, "Elderly and Handicapped Voters, Reserved Parking, 7 am - 8 pm Election Day only, 30 minute maximum." The fence was hung with campaign signs and lined with campaign workers.

Waterfront Assoc. To Keep Area Clean

"Pitch In, for a healthy waterfront" will be the slogan for a new campaign to keep the area clean.

At its Wed. Aug. 28 meeting from 7:30 pm to 9 pm in the Harbor Patrol classroom, the Washington Waterfront Citizens Association will announce plans and solicit help in the project.

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Elected were: (in alphabetical order) Paul Bannette, Gerard Catus, Ron Collins, Ruby Holden, Jean Macdonald, Jean McRae, Beth Paulson, Neal Peirce, Constance Smallwood. The work of the D.C. Department of Housing and Community Development was described by Jim Thackenberg of that office.

At right, a few of the 50+ voters at the Wiley Branton CDC annual meeting. Jim Thackenberg, below left, spoke at the Wiley Branton CDC meeting. Ron Collins, below center, MC'd the CDC meeting. Rick Bardach, below right, conducted the election of board members at the annual meeting of the Wiley Branton CDC.



S.W. Remembers Wiley Branton, 1923-1988

By Thelma Jones

Southwest has named its local Community Development Corporation after one of our famous former residents, civil rights lawyer Wiley A. Branton.

Branton was the principal lawyer in the civil rights case that desegregated the public schools in Little Rock, Ark., in 1956. President Dwight Eisenhower sent in 1,000 federal paratroopers to prevent Gov. Faubus of Arkansas from using the state National Guard to block the black children from entering Central High School.

During the 1950s and 1960s, Branton — who later became Dean of the Howard University School of Law — went to court to defend freedom riders and Blacks who were helping in voter registration drives in the South. He was the first head of the Southern Regional Council's Voter Education Project, which registered over 600,000 black voters, leading to the enactment by Congress of the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

For over 30 years he was on the board of the NAACP's Legal Defense Fund, and its vice president for 10 years.

Branton served in civil rights posts in the administration of President Lyndon B. Johnson, and in the 1980s was a partner in the law firm of Sidley and Austin.

He was a resident of Southwest, D.C., for 18 years, and a member of the board of the Southwest Community Council, Inc., which was later renamed the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly, Inc.

Other prominent Blacks listed in a 1968 Southwest story as calling Southwest their home at the time are Bernie Fulton, James Banks, Justice Thurgood Marshall, Rev. June Jefferson, U.S. Senator Ed Brooks, Julius Hobson, Granville Woodson, Congressman John Conyers, and Dr. David Dabney.

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Box lunch is available for the first 200 people who RSVP to the toll free AARP number 1-877-926-8300. Questions to the candidates will surely include hot AARP topics such as prescription drugs, predatory lending and nursing home quality. The church is near the Green line Waterfront Metro stop. ■

Sep. 11 Memorial Program By S.W. Chamber Players

The S.W. Chamber Players will use a poignant reading from the Ken Burns Civil War program on PBS as a memorial on the first anniversary of the Sep. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. The free concert will be given at St. Augustine's Episcopal Church, Sixth St. and Maine Ave. S.W., Wed, Sep. 11 at 7:30 p.m.

The "Ashokan Farewell" by Jay Unger was used by Burns to accompany the reading of a farewell letter from a Union soldier to his wife. Actor Gerard Catus, will read the let-

ter to the accompaniment of viola and piano.

Musicians that evening will be Miriam Albin Bradley, viola; Taka Ariga, cello and David Ehrlich, piano. They will also perform Schubert's famous "Arpeggione" Sonata and Brahms's moody op. 114 Trio.

No reservations are necessary. Admission is free, although a small donation is appreciated. This is the 68th program in the SWCP's six-year-old series in Southwest. For information call David Ehrlich, 484-6354 or visit www.southwestchamberplayers.org. ■

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Amber Drummond Graduates From Emory Univ.

Last May Amber Drummond of G St. S.W. received a degree of Bachelor of Science in Neuroscience and Behavioral Biology from Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia.

Ms. Drummond received scholarship grants from SWNA's Scholarship Committee all four years at Emory, starting in 1998, according to Barbara Murray, committee chair. Interviews are underway for five new applicants for grants for the 2002-2003 college year. Eleven other Southwest college students who have received one or more grants in the past also have applied for new grants. ■

Football Starts At MPB&G Club #4

By Alvin Huggens

Football season has started at Club #4 with 132 Southwest community kids practicing. Registration is running heavy with the lower weights. The Mitey Mites team has 27 kids; the Junior Peewee (75 lbs) 35, and the peewee (90 lb). 38. Junior Midgits (105 lb). has 32 in uniform.

Equipment delays are expected because of the heavy participation this year. Football is the single most expensive sporting activity at this clubhouse, costing over \$4,300 per team for equipment: helmet, \$55; shoulder pads, \$35; inserts, \$11; jersey, \$37; pants, \$27. (Not counting insurance, game officials and transportation). ■

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Opportunities For Youth At Arena Stage

By Beryl Rice of the S.W. Youth Activities Task Force

The Education Department of Arena Stage has played an important part in helping students in the Washington area enjoy the performing arts and increase their knowledge of careers in the field.

This new season 2002-2003 will find hundreds of youngsters enjoying plays at Arena under education programming that enhances the theater-going experience for all student groups.

For example, Southwest's Jefferson Jr. High will be one of 16 D.C. public schools whose students will be eligible for \$3 tickets, see two plays a season, and have in-class visits by Arena artists and actors. Their teachers will receive copies of the scripts, instructional guides, and access to previews. A student playwright's project will bring playwriting and other dramatic skills into the school in a variety of ways.

This exciting news was shared with a group of Southwesters invited to discuss ideas for future programming. Hopefully, additional ways of involving Southwest will emerge as Arena Stage partners with other community service organizations, particularly youth-serving ones. ■

Summer BB Starts In SW

By Alvin Hudgens

With six committed teams, the adult league returned to S.W.'s Greenleaf Gardens outdoor court for the first time in three years, and the fans showed their appreciation by arriving two hours early.

The most exciting game of the four played on the first weekend was between the Bulls of Southwest and "The Old Timers." The Bulls showcased their fast-breaking offense behind six-time MVP Kevnin Patterson and Dave Carson, nine-time leader in assists and seven-time champion.

With the score 47-47 and seven seconds remaining, "The Old Timers" showed why they are 2-0 in the league, behind standout veteran player Kim. A late basket with one second left, sealed the upset for "The Old Timers."

Games are schedule throughout August on Friday and Sat. evenings.

Return of the league was made possible by BMAD Sportz, Theodore Proctor, president and CEO. Also special thanks to MPB&GC #4 and staff. ■



Above, trophies for the winners of the adult basketball league at King Greenleaf are bought and paid for. Games on Fri. and Sat. nights in August will determine the winners.



At left, Theodore Proctor of BMAD Sportz.

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